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Dear Public Service Commission of South Carolina,

As a concerned citizen and customer of SCE&G, I am appalled at the request to adjust and increase electric rates, charges and tariffs. I've been a loyal customer for the past 7 years and I feel as though a rate increase will contribute to economic hardship for so many of us who are experiencing financial issues.

I can't understand why this request would be made during a time when the economy has reached one of its lowest points since the Great Depression. Do you want children and the elderly to go without heat/air? These are the groups who would be greatly affected if a rate increase is granted. As a loyal customer, who pays her bill and occasionally the bill of an elderly customer, I feel as though increasing rates will impact many customers across South Carolina, especially, the vulnerable populations. Many people are struggling to keep food on the table and here comes another big Corporation trying to get rich at the expense of the poor. Wealthy people may not be concerned or feel the effects of this change but a working class citizen like myself is concerned about maintaining the basic necessities (food, light, water & heat) for my family. Are you concerned?

It's time for everyone to do his/her part in making sure the requests others make are beneficial to the whole, not a part. Since I am unable to attend the hearings, I sent this letter as a symbol, to voice the concerns and opinions of the citizens in my community. Lastly, I would ask the Commission of South Carolina to have mercy on the many customers of SCE&G and ask yourself what would **Jesus** do?

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. GOD Bless!

Warm regards,

  
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